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SUBJECT: SHABA AFRICAN FORCE

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1. LATEST INFORMATION EMBASSY HAS ON IVORIAN PARTICIPATION IN SHABA AFRICAN FORCE IS THAT TOTAL NUMBER OF MILITARY PERSONNEL WILL BE 105, REPEAT, 105 (EARLIER INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN MINISTER AKE OF 110 HAS PROVED ERRONEOUS -- REFTEL). PERSONNEL WILL BE DIVIDED INTO FOUR 26-MAN TEAMS WITH LTCOL ATIN COMMANDING. CARGO IS STILL ESTIMATED AT THIRTY TONS OF
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MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND TWO TENTS (MODEL 54); HOWEVER, PERSONNEL RATIONS FOR 8-10 DAYS SHOULD ALSO BE INCLUDED IN OVERALL TOTAL.

2. ARMED FORCES HEADQUARTERS IS ATTEMPTING TO GET INFORMATION ON EXACT WEIGHT AND VOLUME (CUBE) OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES; HOWEVER, MINISTRY OF HEALTH IS PROVIDING SUPPLIES AND LIAISON IS A PROBLEM. HOPEFULLY BY END OF WORKING DAY 6 JUNE, EMBASSY WILL HAVE TOTAL

WEIGHTS AND CUBE AND A COMPLETE LIST (BY NAME) OF ALL PERSONNEL.

3. EMBASSY DESIRES FLIGHT ITINERARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER
TO FACILITATE IVORIAN AND FRENCH PREPARATIONS.
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